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**I. PURPOSE**

To describe the procedures used by the Iowa Department of Corrections (IDOC), to provide supervision for offenders who are taken on escorted trips away from the institution and into the community.

**II. POLICY**

It is the policy of the IDOC to provide the necessary level of supervision and control for offenders who must be taken for treatment to area medical facilities or who otherwise must be escorted into the community.

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**III. DEFINITIONS** – As used in this document.

- A. High Security Risk Offenders – Offenders that require special security precautions because of past behavior, high profile crimes they have committed, or other security risks associated with offenders. [REDACTED]

- B. See IDOC Policy **AD-GA-16** for additional Definitions.

**IV. PROCEDURES**

Offenders being escorted outside the facility shall be transported in a secure safe and humane manner under the supervision of employees trained in escort procedures. The primary responsibility of escorting staff is public safety. **(4-4189) (4-4445) (4-4190)**

- A. Referral, Reviews and Trip Plans
  - 1. Any offender requiring an escorted trip into the community for medical treatment unless an emergency, or who is being removed for other purposes authorized by the Warden/Superintendent or designee shall have their case referred to the Associate Warden of Security or designee for review.
  - 2. The unit staff shall develop any institutional information to assure a complete review of any such case.

3. Except for regularly scheduled transfer activity, the Associate Warden of Security or designee shall confer with the referring employee to ascertain the exact nature of the treatment or activity, the expected duration, and the degree of public contact likely in the proposed community setting.
4. The Associate Warden of Security or designee shall obtain and review the offender's Iowa Corrections Network (ICON) record and any other relevant materials to determine the type of escort to be provided.

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B. Searches

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2. In cases of alleged sexual assault:

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**(PREA 115.21(a))**

3. After being strip searched and dressed, offenders shall be isolated from the other offenders not yet searched.
4. The Shift Supervisor shall decide what articles offenders are permitted to have in their possession during the trip. These articles shall be kept to a minimum.

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C. General Security Requirements

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4. Restraints

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- g. Restraining equipment must never be used as punishment, in a way that causes undue physical pain, or to restrict the blood circulation or breathing of an offender.

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7. General Escort

- a. Staff members selected for escort duty shall be advised in writing of the responsibilities of their assignment. That advisement shall consist of a locally developed form that contains, at a minimum, the name of the offender, a photograph, a description listing scars, marks, etc., basic sentence data, the itinerary and expected duration of the trip, any special escort or supervision instructions, and the name of the authorizing official.
- b. Escort officers shall be provided the opportunity to review the file of the offender involved.
- c. The Associate Warden of Security or designee shall provide any additional verbal instructions regarding the trip prior to departure.

[REDACTED]

- e. While in the community with an offender, the escorting staff shall make every attempt to maintain a low profile and avoid unnecessary public contact.
- f. Offenders shall not be permitted to make phone calls or otherwise contact family members or others while under escort

- g. When transporting offenders to court, employees shall contact the proper authorities in advance to establish an arrival and plan for transfer of custody.
- h. If the judge orders the offender to remain in local custody, employees transporting the offender must obtain a certified copy of the order and contact the Associate Warden of Security or designee for instructions prior to releasing the offender.

[REDACTED]

E. Pregnant Offenders

1. Escort of Pregnant Offenders in Administrative Segregation Status
  - a. Pregnant offenders being escorted through the 21<sup>st</sup> week of pregnancy shall be handcuffed in front only.
  - b. No handcuffs shall be used when escorting pregnant offenders at the 22<sup>nd</sup> week of pregnancy.
  - c. If behavior warrants, a two-officer escort may be utilized in lieu of handcuffs.
  
2. Transport of Pregnant Offenders
  - a. Restraints used in the transport of pregnant offenders will vary according to their medical status.

- b. The use of the Staxi transport chair or wheel chair is mandatory for the transport of pregnant offenders. The chair shall be used for transport of a restrained offender to and from the transport vehicle and shall be used to transport any pregnant offender to and from the appointment.

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G. Vehicles

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3. Transport cars and vans are equipped with seatbelts for the driver and all passengers. Seatbelts, worn in the manner in which the seatbelt is designed, shall be worn by all occupants of the vehicle. Transport buses are not ordinarily equipped with seatbelts for offenders. Seatbelts shall be worn by the driver and all passengers occupying seats equipped with a seatbelt. Where the seat of a transport bus is not equipped with a seatbelt, the use of a seatbelt is not required.

4. All IDOC vehicles, including transport buses, purchased after February 1, 2012 shall be equipped with seatbelts for all occupants.

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7. Only properly equipped state vehicles shall be used except in emergency medical situations approved by the Warden/Superintendent, Associate Warden of Security or designee.

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H. University Hospital Security Requirements

1. Hospital Appointments

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[REDACTED]

- c. The security of offenders at the UIHC is managed by the correctional staff assigned to that area by the administration of the Iowa Medical and Classification Center (IMCC). Supervision in excess of that available from the regular staffing shall be provided by the institution to which the offender is assigned.

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2. Hospital Admissions

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- b. If an offender is admitted to UIHC; the designated parent institution will designate who will notify the offender's emergency contact with the following information:
  - i. Offender was admitted at UIHC.
  - ii. Contact the institution prior to visiting the offender at the hospital to verify if you are approved to visit while the offender is in UIHC.
  - iii. Visiting hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. seven days a week. Visiting hours are extended if the offender is in ICU.
  - iv. Report for your visit at the main information desk on the first floor lobby. Inform the hospital operator you are visiting an offender. You will need a valid photo ID. IDOC staff will escort you to the room.
  - v. During your approved visit you may not bring or give the offender anything.
  - vi. You may not call the offender. Please contact the institution the offender is from regarding questions you may have about the offender's medical condition.
- c. Dates of all mail received shall be recorded by the security officer.
- d. Offenders shall not be allowed money. Canteen purchases are to be made by written arrangement with the security officer in charge.
- e. Each offender shall read and sign rules which govern the stay at the hospital.
- f. Offenders that are hospitalized at the UIHC are allowed visitors from the offender's approved visit list. Staff shall adhere to the Post Orders for UIHC Watch Officer in regards to offender visits.



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I. Private Transport

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2. Background Checks

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